

Marian Boyd Rules As May Queen



Marian Boyd

It's the day of May Queen coronations! For the seniors crown lovely Marian Boyd today, and some fair junior princess will be named, as well, tonight at the gala Junior Prom.

That poised and charming Miss Boyd would be selected became a safe probability when she polled an undisputed majority in school-wide primaries held here May 3.

Wins Half of School

With the close of the final voting on Thursday, it was learned that Miss Boyd had polled over 50% of all ballots cast; second and third place respectively went to vivacious Helen Charpentier and dark-eyed, smooth dancing Eleanor Schonitzer.

Also named in the '39 Parade of Princesses were Gloria Sullivan, Thalia Carter, Carol Garden, Marian Hubach, Eileen Czerny, Nancy McVay, Barbara Davis, Elsie Cook, Ann Boykin, Debby Burton, and a whole host of others. The "General" polled his annual quota; "Bus" Thrailkill, 2; Miss Anderson, 5; LaMarr, 1; Tiz-zie Lish, 1; and before the betting closed, odds were 1000 to 1 on "Big Red" White.

"Thrilled"

Confronted by this Shakerwriter, cool Queen Boyd took the news of her success calmly and with more poise than emotion; said Maid Marian, "I'm quite thrilled."

Patin to Warble with Trio At Dyas' Swing Concert

Featuring the vocalizing of principal, R. B. Patin; hockey player, Dave Morgan; and wrestler, Henry Lipuna; Jimmy Dyas and his band will present a swing concert on Thursday, May 18. The band will highlight the program with "A Study in Brown," "Star Dust," "Three Little Fishes," "Blue Skies," and "One O'clock Jump."

Morrow-Speech Victory Brings Trophy to School; Medal, Magazine Subscription

Eleven words, "You have been named grand winner in the WGA Declamation Contest!" convinced cool, vibrant-voiced morning announcer, Jack Morrow, that all telegrams don't mean "bad news."

Morrow was chosen here from ten candidates as Shaker's entry for the honor; on April 25 he found himself one of five finalists selected from 25 Greater Cleveland high schools; and on the fol-

Four Win Scholarship Awards

Shaker students Dan Ferris, Joan Otte, and Eleanore Speaker have been awarded scholarships within the past week. Ferris' was to Connecticut Wesleyan; Joan's to Smith; and Eleanore's to Mather. Eileen Czerny was awarded an alternate scholarship to Mather.

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JUNIOR PROM TONIGHT AT 8

Open House May 15 with Sharc's Water Pageant

Don't forget Shaker High School's Spring Open House, Monday, May 15, at 7:00 p. m. Each department will display the students' work. The highlight of the evening will be a water pageant by the Sharc's Club.

And auditorium program by the pupils will be presented. Elections of P. T. A. officers for next year will be held.

Star Elsie Cook, Anson Band

Guest Celebrity to Choose Evening 'Queen for a Day'

The annual All-Shaker Junior May Prom will be held in the girls' gym of Shaker School tonight, from 8 o'clock until midnight.

Featured on the stand will be Johnny Anson, the spectacular young drummer, and his danceable swing-band from Florida, with Shaker's Elsie Cook as vocalist.

An added attraction to the evening's festivity will be the choosing of a Junior May Queen. A special guest-celebrity will be present for this event and will make the selection.

The Social Committee in charge of decorating the gym is as follows: Chairman, Helen Ayers; Patsy Komlos, Doris Alburn, Jean Allen, John Harrison, Jerry Ensign, Fleming Blair and Bob Cook, with Mrs. Sacha as general adviser. The officers of the Junior Class, President Franklin Morse, Vice President Dot Sprague, Secretary Sue Peter, and Treasurer Jack Duxsey are honorary members of the committee. The committee in charge of lights is composed of Carl Nehrer, Larry Brennan, and Bill Batch.

Congressional Club Initiates 10 Boys

THURSDAY, May 11.—Ten boys were recognized for outstanding work in extra-curricular activities by admission to the Congressional club sixth period today. Those thus honored are Neil Sawdey, Bob Roberts, Jack Duxsey, Bennett Gast, Bruce Fielding, Russell Weisman, Jack Fitzgerald, Bill Anderson, Tom Rogers, Kenneth Lynn.

Officers for next semester will be chosen soon.

Musicians Indiana Bound; Ensembles Enter Contests

Thirteen student musicians will leave next week for Indianapolis to enter the Regional Solo and Ensemble Contest, competing with band members from four states, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, and Ohio.

Those going are George Sowers, Radford Williams, Beverly Masch, Clyde Patterson, Ben Williams, and Frank Opatry, members of the Brass Sextet, the Clarinet Quartet, made up of Bernard Falcovich, Florence and Shirley Wallace and Frank Hovore; Arthur Bazeley, who will play the flute and piccolo; Jane Wike, piano accompanist, and Ted Bloomfield, student conductor. They, accompanied by Mr. Evans and several parents, will leave Thursday morning, May 18, play in the contest Friday, and return Saturday.

The combined band and orchestra gave Mr. Evans money to buy an auto radio as a birthday present May 3.

Request: Because it results in too much traffic congestion, the "Shakerite" asks all whom it may concern that they do not park on the south side of Aldersyde Road opposite the school.

Coming Events

May 12—Junior Prom.
May 12—Shaker Players.
May 12—Fencing Meet.
May 15—P. T. A. Open House.
May 19—Water Pageant.
May 21—Inauguration of new officers.
May 29—Band Contest.
May 30—Memorial Day.

Poll on Pupil Needs Conducted; Conference Asks Vocational Training

As a conclusion to the Curriculum Conference, a poll designed to discover pupil needs is being conducted. Questionnaires have been sent to teachers, parents, and students who participated in these meetings.

The purpose of the Curriculum Conferences was to obtain ideas and suggestions from parents, teachers, and pupils concerning the "educational needs of a democratic society."

At the meeting of April 26, there was general agreement that pupils should realize more adequate training to help them make vocational choices. It was suggested that qualified men inform the students about the different occupations, and that more use be made of vocational tests.

It was also generally agreed at this conference that the students should continue to participate in determining school policies. More extensive use of the laboratories, shops, studios, gymnasiums, and playing fields was advocated.

Field trips were favored and it was suggested that films be used as supplementary material for these excursions. This was advocated by the members of the conference because it was deemed worthwhile for the students to gain an education through a diversity of experiences.

Shaker Graduates Active in Case Social Functions

Harry Neville, assistant editor of Case College's year book and a member of the Theta Tau and Blue Key honorary societies, will serve as a senior member of the school's governing body next season.

Kenneth Horsburgh, also a Case student, is vice-president of the sophomore class. Ned Kuenhold was elected editor of the "Case Alumni."

Polly Jacoby, attending Mt. Holyoke College, is a member of the Phi Beta Kappa society, and John Puberty at Nenssalaer Polytechnic Institute is managing editor of the "Transit."

School Board Reaches No Decision for Establishment of Credited Driving Course

Action on the establishment of a credited, one semester driving course in the high school was deferred at the last Board of Education meeting.

At the meeting it was reported that Mr. Van Duzen, Manual Arts teacher of the junior high school, was capable of instructing a driving course. However, there would be difficulty in obtaining him at the high school his present schedule does not admit sufficient time for it.

If another Manual Arts teacher were engaged to take over some of his classes, Mr. Van Duzen could instruct a driving course at the high school.

'Boost Shakerism' Morse's Program



Franklin Morse

Shakerism—"a Shaker Spirit of enthusiastic cooperation" is to be the keynote of school life here when the new student council administration takes office on May 24.

Ever-smiling President Franklin Morse promises that he will start to carry out his campaign platform immediately upon assuming office. In fact, he says that through meetings with school authorities and parents' committees he has already started plans for the organization of the social and recreational clubs, which are to "permit a greater number of Shaker students to enjoy the benefits now gained by a few from outside interests."

Could Organize Two Ways

He offers two possible plans of organization for these clubs. One is that people would join the same chapters as their friends (i.e. purely on a social basis); the other, that the different chapters would be based on special interests such as sports, music, photography, books.

Some activities would be, competition between groups, promotion of good fellowship, sponsorship of dances, and other social events as they come up. His point on participation in student government is to be carried out through more uniform organization of homerooms. He cites as an example of the practicability of this, homeroom 206 of which his co-officer Bob Roberts has been president for the past year.

Publicity Will Help

"To stimulate new and vital enthusiasm for Shaker's social and athletic events," is point three; he will inaugurate a series of public address system broadcasts and poster displays boosting Shakerism in general and the various athletic and social events as they come up, in particular. He also plans, if it can be economically arranged, to have "Boost Shakerism" mottos put on pencils and notebooks.

In addition to Morse and Roberts, Neil Sawdey and Jack Duxsey will assume the offices of secretary and treasurer respectively at the inauguration ceremony. Outgoing officers are Haskell Torrence, president; Bill Fox, vice president; Jerry Ensign, secretary; and Jerome Klein, treasurer.

Players Act Here Tonight

"Love from a Stranger," by Frank Voster is to be the presentation of the Shaker Players this evening at 8 p. m. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Scott will play the leads in this comedy.

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Congratulations Franklin Morse; Your Program Looks Good

TARDY though we may be we'd like to take this opportunity to congratulate Franklin Morse on his election to the highest office the students of this school can bestow, the presidency.

His program as set forth on another page of this paper offers high promise for his term of office which opens soon. He and next year's council will have a hard task, nevertheless, to surpass the accomplishments of this year's council under the energetic leadership of Haskell Torrence.

We have liked "Hack's" way of boosting interest in social and athletic events and student government through his public address system announcements, and of boosting school social life through the organization of the social room. We now look forward to liking Morse's method of carrying on these ideals through his program which he labels "Shakerism."

All the Answers

THE "Morse Code" for Shakerism looks like just what the doctor ordered for rejuvenation of Shaker school spirit. By inaugurating a poster campaign, which Franklin promises "will be the most colossal ever attempted here" the athletic department's statement that faulty publicity has caused faulty school spirit is taken care of. The program also counteracts the statement—or rather complaint—brought up by a number of the students that they are left out of the government of the school, and so see no reason for supporting it. He seems to know all the answers.

Keynote

THE word "Shakerism" may be just the thing to catch the imagination of Shaker students, and bring school spirit here "back alive!" It has an added quality of freshness which is vital to put it over. For we have been so accustomed to laughing at, and speaking sarcastically of Shaker's school spirit, that it would be impossible to revive it under that name. But the enthusiasm which greeted the first mention of Shakerism certainly strikes an optimistic note for the future.

Plan Links Pupils, School

AN oft-offered explanation for the weakness in our school spirit is that in a suburban community too many outside interests pull the enthusiasm of the pupils away from the school, and that the school doesn't do enough for the pupils to arouse their enthusiasm. The natural antidote for this situation is for the school to offer something just as—or more—interesting. We think that Morse's plan of having a number of "social and recreational clubs" which, though not directly sponsored by the school, will center around school life, might be the proper antidote.

YOUR predecessor has set you a high mark to aim at, "Morso," but we think you've got the stuff, and your program seems to provide the means to reach it. Good luck!

New Prexy



THRU THE KEYHOLE

By Sallie Baus

Spring is here and with it has come exams, needed foliage across the street, various streamlined versions of cars, driving licenses, sun tans acquired either by powder or the sunlamp, headaches for the lovelorn, and so forth. Perhaps this accounts for the following:

Betty Hodge and Cliff Witter finally calling it quits (everything is under control and Hodge is having a wonderful time) . . . Marilyn Mills and Harry Newman "walking."

Why are Spumonia's lunches so interesting? I'll bite . . . How does Virginia Todd manage to hold down the talent at Heights and at Shaker too . . .

This week's roses go to Marian Boyd who seems to be doing all right by herself. . . .

Puzzle: Will the old fight be re-

vived between Jean Gibbons and Lois Ahlman over the possession of Herb Warden—and—his car (!)? And how about those dirty looks that Marly Struggles is giving Mary Ellen Noon.

Things we could do without: Waterbury's scalping . . . Prior's pants, Tolan's manner of suave talking

Blaine Thompson's tempting convertible . . . single lunch periods

Rafeld's history exam(s) . . . the General's "transcendentalism"

Inspector Skelton's knife . . . ninth periods . . . and people who think they're May Queen (unfortunately there can be only one).

Things we could use: An outdoor swimming pool . . . indefinite credit at Halle's, Best's and so forth . . .

oil for those huraches . . . an increased attendance at the Ro-Lo Club which promises a lot of fun for everyone.

What's New

Jane Patterson and Jean Swan

This being our last issue before school is out (oh happy day!) we shall make a superhuman effort to make this column even better than have been our former ones. Fortunately for us this last month has produced quite a number of amazingly good records with which we may bring to an end our career as What's Newers.

Master Benjamin Goodman who has been trying very hard lately to regain his long lost position on the top of the ladder has just made two recordings which should help immensely. "The Lady's In Love With You" and "Show Your Linen Miss Richardson" is one of these and displays quite a bit of his ancient prowess. "Rose of Washington Square" which is backed by "Siren Song" is the other disc and is well worth having also.

The song of the year so far is

Saxie Dowell's masterpiece "Three Little Fishies" especially as recorded by Kay Kyser. Within the short time this record has been on the market it has sold almost a record breaking number of copies and will no doubt become even more popular.

Of the other good late records perhaps the best is Les Brown's "Out of the Night" with "Love For Sale" on the opposite side. A new Glen Gray album containing, among other things "Lazy Bones" and "Stardust" is very good and merits your attention. Of course no swing column is complete without some mention of Art Shaw and we hereby mention him by saying that his latest record "If You Ever Change Your Mind" and "You Grow Sweeter As the Years Go By" is quite super, if you know what we mean. More good news for Shaw fans is the fact that his album can now be bought by separate records.

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BRAIN CHILDREN

By Doris Holt

How to Overcome Spring Fever

or

Are You a Lazy Daisy? (or perhaps a May Monster?)

Do you count crocuses on retiring instead of the usual sheep? (Or if you do count these haggard sheep, do they appear before you festooned in garlands?) Do you even find joy hidden in the dark corners of the library? If so, you are a Sluggish Spring Slouch!

To save you from this fate worse than death, we offer you some suggestions compiled in a recent Shakerite poll on the subject at hand.

Suggestion No. I You might visit a well-known downtown dealer and purchase one of "Snowbottom's Spring-proof Shields," which consists of a large helmet device to be worn over the head at the first sign of spring. Within one finds a perpetual snowstorm raging, which, amongst other things, enables the wearer to keep his mind off the weather, (or should we just say, "enables the wearer to keep his mind off . . . ?")

Suggestion No. II Then there is that school of thought that advocates the hibernation method or "Let Sleeping Dogs Lie"—(From the movie of the same name—any relations to persons living or dead purely coincidental.) Here the victim cautiously looks out of the window each morning . . . anxiously scanning the horizon for a sign of spring. At the sight of the first bud, or even at a feeble chirp from an early robin, the observer will quickly close the window and return to bed with all due haste, pulling the covers over his head, and remaining so until well into the summer months.

Suggestion No. III If none of the preceding methods agree with you, you might, as a last resort, join the band of "Disbelievers." This group goes around school with a December's calendar continually before them. They count shopping days until Christmas, and generally live in the past. "Time marches on, with the Disbelievers along behind it," has come to be their watchword. A good contracted headache also aids them in their purpose.

And so, with these simple principles before you, we rest assured that every Shakerite will be able to successfully pass through this trying period. In conclusion, may we add, "Habby Sprig?"

Anodder Sprig T'ought

I sneezed a sneeze into the air,
It fell to earth I know not where,
But hard and cold were the looks of those,
In whose vicinity I snoze

Last Act

With this issue, we (Holt, Inc.), take sad leave of the Shakerite. Having haunted this column for three long years now (under various titles), we have come to feeling distinctly maternal toward it. Therefore, it is our fondest wish that the public should laugh at this last issue, although we realize it is very sad and tired. Just one little laugh will do—or even an amused smile.

And so, with this parting desire expressed, we end our singularly undazzling career. In closing may we add?

CURTAIN

Lack of Publicizing Events Causes Poor School Spirit

By Haskell Torrence

Much has been said on the subject that we don't support school events with the enthusiasm that we should. The reasons why school spirit hasn't been good are that the performers haven't received their due recognition and the necessary publicity for their events.

Now, two methods have been presented for improving the publicity situation: a Student Council Publicity Committee and an advertising manager for each separate sport or activity. The council committee idea has been tried with shortlived success for the simple reason that for several students it involves too much work besides their studies. Therefore, it seems that the second idea would be better because some manager or team member would know more fully about the publicity material.

The assembly presentation of awards is being seriously considered by the council assembly committee at the present time. Moreover, the new Student Council administration to take office on May 24th is now laying plans to increase school spirit through recognition of fine work in and publicity for extra-curricular activities.

Sideline Slants

By Joe Bender

With only a handful of picked tracksters, Shaker journeyed to Salem where the Raiders captured a fifth place last Saturday. Lloyd Thompson tied for first place in the high jump; and the medley relay team of Don Pierce, Lloyd Thompson, Dick Marous and Ed Nyfenger captured the honors in that race.



Nyfenger, running the mile as anchor man in the medley relay, did the distance in the exceptional time of 4:34. Doug Bishop and Jim Rogers also gained points for Shaker in the field events. All this leads to the conclusion that the track men will make a fine showing at Heights tomorrow.

Since the last publishing of the Shakerite, the track team has downed Lorain, 63-55, Bedford and Maple Heights, in a triangle meet amassing 98½ points to the nearest rivals 38. They also won the Cleveland Heights Relays. It is in this last meet that the Cleveland papers made the mistake of publishing the fact that East High had won the meet.

The truth of the matter is that Shaker ended on top with a winning margin of 1½ points.

Ed Nyfenger pulled a surprise in the Lorain meet by running the mile in his bare feet. It seems that some one borrowed Ed's shoes and failed to return them in time for the mile run.

The sport's staff is glad to see that Ed Kilroy is back. In fact we're glad to see Ed's back. Ed crashed to the earth after his pole broke in the Lorain meet. It was feared a first that Ed's back was broken, but all fear was for naught.

Some of us may wonder why Shaker has two golf teams. The teams are labeled No. 1 and No. 2. To fill out the eight-team league, Cleveland Heights, Shaker, and Western Reserve have entered two teams.

The tennis team had a practice match last week with Cathedral Latin. The purpose of the meet was to find which double combinations stood out. The pairs of Joe Miller and Harold Karklen, and Joe Nash and Bill Grissinger looked promising.

Marvin Schultz is out of tennis with a bad hand.

Members of the Fencing Club were refused letters because their coach does not teach three hours per week at Shaker.

Parents to See Girls' Activities Demonstration

Swimming, modern dancing, and badminton demonstrations will be staged by the girls' gym classes for the parents on Open House Night, May 15.

The badminton tournament will take place in the girls' gymnasium. The following girls are the badminton experts who will play for the championship: Joan Kochmit, Margaret Kelly, Jean Krause, Ellen Czerny, Virginia Huntley, Virginia Boos.

Helen Conroy, Adelaide Darrah, Josephine Cryer, Nancy Martin, Virginia Leshe, Dorothy Horner, Eleanor Speaker, and Mary L. Green.

In the auditorium the parents will see several modern dances under the direction of Miss Ernestine Bryan. The girls in the modern dancing include Ruth Yarris, Lois Schwalb, Dorothy Howard, Eriean Moore, Bluma Fertel, Patsy Komlos, Jeanne Hertz.

Marion Wolfe, Grace Rath, Miriam Krasnoff, Shirley Roth, Shirley Stein, Betty Ewich, Constance Norwood, and Jean Hollander. Those who appeared in the hornpipe dance of the operetta will also appear.

Golfers Win Fourth Straight Thompson's Score Is Lowest

Shaker's No. 1 golf team of Ken Waterbury, Dave Morgan, John Hersey, Lloyd Thompson, and Dick Petrequin won its fourth straight victory defeating Heights 29-3. Thompson shot a 79, Waterbury an 80, Petrequin an 82, and Hersey an 83.

Shaker's No. 2 team of Bob Boyer, Bill Prior, Warren Schmid, and Larry Brennen downed Collinwood 17-15 on Monday. The No. 1 team is in first place and the No. 2 team is in third in the league. The No. 1 team is undefeated while the No. 2 group has lost one match.

Those schools which have been defeated by the No. 1 team are Western Reserve, Collinwood, and John Adams.

Shaker Loses First Tennis Match to Cathedral Latin, 3-2

In their first match of the season, Shaker's 1939 racquetees bowed before a steady Cathedral Latin team, 3-2 at the Shaker courts Monday afternoon.

Garth Thornton, Shaker's stellar left-hander, took Gilbride, his first singles opponent, in short order, 6-0, 6-0. A snappy second-doubles combination of Joe Nash and Bill Grissinger emerged on top, 6-4, 5-7, 6-3, for Shaker's other victory.

Shaker's usually dependable second singles man, Jim Connors, was definitely off form. He put up a stiff fight but lost to a much steadier McGrath, 3-6, 7-5, 4-6.

That hot-and-cold pair, Sandy Goldfarb and Bob Harris were true to form. They lost their first set 4-6, blasted through Lange and Scheekley, Latin's first doubles team in the second set 6-0, then dropped the set and match, 4-6.

Jerome Klein, Mr. Harbourt's third singles election, had trouble seeing through Forlein of Latin and was succumbed, 1-6, 2-6.

Senior Homeroom Captained by Lipuma Beats Coleman's Sophomores

Homerooms captained by Henry Lipuma, Charles Coleman, and Bruce Fielding were victorious in the first round of the Spring Baseball Tournament. The rooms which were defeated were captained by Paul Haynam, Bob Winchell, and William Mau.

Lipuma's team was made up of McCord, Marous, Anthony, Connors, Narten, Skove, Brockway, and Millican. Coleman's team consisted of Roth, Russo, Marotta, Longo, Uhlig, Warberton, Dangler, and Coleman.

These two teams played on Monday, May 8 and the team of Henry Lipuma won.

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Red and White Meets League Rivals at Heights Field Tomorrow

Records Favor Lakewood; Shaker Shows Up Strong in Relay, Field Events; Out to Better Last Year's Record

By Bob Winchell

The cream of Lake Erie League racing talent will meet tomorrow afternoon at the Cleveland Heights Field. This is an annual League event and was won last year by Lakewood. Shaker took a fourth place.

The Red Raiders this year have a good chance for a second place, and should give Lakewood, the favorite to win, a close race for first honors. Proof for this statement is the fact that Shaker has won its last ten dual meets.

Because it was discovered Tuesday, May 9, that Don Pierce had attended a private academy for two years previous to his entrance at Shaker and so was now in his eighth semester of high school work, and ineligible for athletics, the Salem-Trophy will have to be returned. No eligibility list had been turned in at the time the Salem relays were run, and Don did not realize the rule.

She is potentially strong in the field events with Doug Bishop carrying the shot-put and discuss. In the mile and half mile distances, Ed Nyfenger stands out. Ed, in his first race last year, won the League mile with a time of 4:38. The mile and medley relay teams have good records which should give evidence that they will make League headway.

Lloyd Thompson, Shaker's leading point maker, should make headway in the hurdles and high jump on the basis of his past efforts at Mansfield and Salem.

Marvin Schultz, Shaker's up and coming dash man should make a

School Sees Club Of Fencers in Action

The Fencing Club gave an assembly before the whole Student Body today during the sixth period. The program consisted of a series of demonstrations showing the different types of fencing.

Those that demonstrated the foil were Charles Norlin, Bob Jaster, Ed Bosco, Rad Williams, Ken Telford, and Hal Rosen. Jim Graham, George Glass, Bob Olsen, Willie Peck and Ray Ferrell showed how to use the saber and epee.

Elizabeth Pond, Ruth Joseph, Margaret Warren, and Jimmie Savage fenced with the foil.

A short demonstration is planned for Monday night during the Parents' Night. This will be handled by the feminine group of the club.

The team won a forfeit May 3 when a scheduled meet with Roosevelt failed to jell, Roosevelt did not show up.

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Piece Composed by Edith Warner, Torrence's Music Box Highlight Club's Recital

"I can, if I think I can" was the moral of a piece composed by Edith Warner, which she played at the S F A A musical recital of May 2. Written to point out this moral to her small niece, the piano composition imitates a train puffing up a hill.

This was part of a program held at the home of Haskell Torrence. Among the others who participated were Haskell on the piano, George Sowers on the trumpet, Arthur Bazely on the flute, Ruth Reinhart, voice, Jane Wike, Margaret Warren, and Ted Bloomfield as accompanists.

A solo not originally on the program was heard from an old music box, which chimed out "The Beautiful Blue Danube," with bells and tiny drums, assisted by the winding of Haskell.

Variety League to Hold Contest Here

The Shaker High School auditorium will be the scene for the Variety League Amateur Contest for young, local talent of Shaker Heights, Cleveland Heights, East Cleveland, and South Euclid on Friday, May 19.

Music, dancing, and novelty acts will be staged, and cash awards will be offered to six winners chosen by popular applause. The program is scheduled to begin at 7:45 p. m.

Anybody of the aforementioned districts who is 20 years old or under may obtain an audition for the contest by sending a postcard to Mrs. Wolfe, Post Office Box No. 3553, Cleveland Heights Lee Road Branch. The postcard should contain the following information: name, age, address, telephone number, type and length of act, and music used.

Majority Considers New Reports Better

None of the students are particularly enthusiastic over the new type of report cards, although the majority consider it an improvement over the old kind. A few sample opinions follow.

Stanton Lybarger thinks the grading of social adjustments and study habits is a lot of "bunk." Dugald Pearson claims that the report cards are very satisfactory as the student receives a complete evaluation from his teachers.

Nancy McVay believes that the new report cards are more beneficial to her although she prefers to present a letter grade to her parents.

Jayne Carter and Jack Elwood believe the new cards are unsatisfactory for a school of this size because the teachers cannot take enough time to consider each point given. In order to become satisfactory they claim that only the essential points should be outlined and the rest of the "stuff be cut out."

Betty Krepps of the new curriculum group prefers to know her ranking by a letter grade, but Katy Gershtenberger thinks it more convenient as it is.

Dave Simon declared, "The new report gives a more accurate evaluation of a pupil's progress. For it also measures his advancement in his study habits and attitudes."

No Student Exchange

The Swedish Student Exchange has been cancelled this year because of the European crisis.

The plan was to stay in Oslo, Sweden and come home through Copenhagen, Denmark and Paris, France. If the situation has improved by next year, the trip will be taken then.

Plans for Travel Club Party Mystery Even to Members

A cloak of mystery surrounds the Travel Club's spring party which is to be held in the cafeteria on Wednesday, May 19. Neither Mrs. Eva Mae Smith, club sponsor, nor any member of the social committee will disclose the nature of the program. The only information available at press time was that "There will be a variety program, good eats, considerable laughter, prizes, gay flowers, and a good time for all of the 250 members."

Jean Yahres and Helen Charpentier are the two co-chairmen directing this gigantic affair. Patsy Komlos is in charge of the table decorations, and Elinore Warren will take care of the general artistic effects of the banquet. Among the others who are working to make this affair a big success are Ruth Rife, Lois Mueller, Phyllis Koller, Marjorie McKee, Robert Norwick and Walter Knight.

Mrs. Stitt's Art Classes To Sponsor Exhibition

The first student picked art exhibition is now being held in the small alcove off of the main hall by a group of art students under the direction of Mrs. Stitt, art instructor. Eight water colors of famous Cleveland artists are being shown. Art students Alyce Sinnott, Barbara Bradley, Jean Allen, Willard Heiss and Ted Boynton will be in charge of the exhibit.

The continuance of this type of exhibit will depend on the reception of the students.

Radio Script Club, Scribblers Hear Guest Speakers; Work on Short Wave Station Starts

Ted Hanna, a news writer, spoke on preparing and marketing radio scripts before the Radio Script club at a luncheon held at a local restaurant Wednesday, May 3.

The home of Susan Rieley was the scene of a tea for the Scribblers' League on May 5. Mrs. Lewette Pollack Pierce, who has recently published a book of her poems, was the guest speaker.

Out of a large group of tryouts the following were accepted as members: Barbara Avery, Carol Noble, Barbara Lou Harrison, Veva Norlin, Kenneth Lynn, Elizabeth Pond, Wilbert Hubbell, Dorothy Card, Jeanne Weber, Jacqueline Shaw, and Jean Graves.

Although the Radio Club has yet many difficulties to overcome in the

building of Shaker's short wave radio set, David Benedict and Anthony Darata, assisted by the other members of the club, have begun the building of it. A receiver and an empty room in which to put their set are still in need.

The Science Club has been recently entertained by talks on "How to Make a Reflecting Telescope," by Harold Rosen, and "High Frequency in Electricity," by Jack Morrow.

A trip by the club to some industrial plant is planned for the end of the month.

Several new members will be welcomed into the S F A A at the next meeting. They are Gloria Fassen, Wehnonah Smith, Jeanne Weber, and Elizabeth Pond.

Shakerites in Parade

Plans for high school participation in a Memorial Day parade sponsored by the Jacob Russell Post of the American Legion are now being made by a Council committee headed by Jerry Ensign. It is hoped that the band and a representative from each home will take part.

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